(b) the number of such farmers and the amount by which they still have outstanding loans, category-wise and State-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI PAWAN KUMAR BANSAL): (a) The State-wise details of farmer beneficiaries (category-wise), including the total eligible Waiver/Relief amount under ADWDRS is at the Statement. [Refer to the Statement appended to the Answer to USQ 1612, Part (b)]

(b) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the Rajya Sabha.

Implementation of the loan waiver scheme

1634. SHRIMATI BRINDA KARAT: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the loan waiver scheme announced in Budget 2008 has been implemented in full;

(b) if so, the details of the beneficiaries benefited from the loan waiver schemes so far, State-wise;

(c) the details of loan amount that has been waived so far, State-wise: and

(d) the details of the amount that has been reimbursed to the banks/financial institutions so far by the Central Government on account of loan waiver?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI PAWAN KUMAR BANSAL): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) The State-wise details of farmer beneficiaries, including the total eligible Waiver/Relief amount, under ADWDRS is at the Statement. [Refer to the Statement appended to the Answer to USQ 1612, Part (b)]

(d) The Government has already released Rs.25,000 crore to RBI (Rs.17,500 crore for Cooperative Banks and Regional Rural Banks and Rs.7,500 crore for Scheduled Commercial Banks, Urban Cooperative Banks and Local Area Banks). The balance reimbursable claims would be released in July 2009, July 2010 and the remaining balance, if any, in July 2011. The Government has also decided to pay interest on the 2nd, 3rd and 4th instalments of the reimbursable claims.

Interest rates of home loans charged by private banks

1635. SHRI DARA SINGH: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether certain private sector banks at present apply the increased rates of interest on home loans uniformly irrespective of the amounts of the advances involved whereas the public sector banks apply the increase rates only to those advances above a particular limit;

(b) if so, the details thereof, as on date;

(c) whether Government proposes to direct the private sector banks to adopt the same norms as that of the public sector banks;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and